

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

SB 403 - HB 707

April 7, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires all agencies that employ police officers to provide procedural due process to police officers subject to dismissal, demotion, or other punitive action.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On February 16, 2005, we issued a fiscal note which indicated a not significant increase in state expenditures. Based on additional information provided to us, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is

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Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000 *

Assumptions:

- Local governments subject to the provisions of the bill could experience an increase in expenditures for legal expenses.
- There are 270 cities with police departments in Tennessee and only seven have full-time attorneys. The other 263 cities that do not have agreements with its part-time city attorney will have to pay attorneys fees to handle the grievance hearings.
- A labor hearing is estimated to require 10 hours for a part-time attorney at a rate of \$150/hour.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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